

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Lobeco Farms Property Seabrook, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through October 24, 2017.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 17-6481-NRP, will affect approximately 628 acres located at 125 Six LS Farm Road, Seabrook South Carolina. The property is further identified by Beaufort County Tax Map Serial Number R700-028-000-0086-000. Seabrook Solar, LLC and Adger Solar Land Holdings II, LLC (Solar), want to acquire the property and intends to develop the property as a utility-scale solar farm.

The property was previously used for agricultural purposes. The past use of the property may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Solar. DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. DHEC will not hold Solar responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, Solar will test soil, groundwater, sediment, and surface water on the property. If significant contamination is found, Solar will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. Solar did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, Solar will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract.

The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through October 24, 2017. Questions or comments may be directed to Jerry Stamps, Project Manager, by e-mail at stampsjm@dhec.sc.gov telephone (803) 898-0927, or Alex Fulmer at TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Jerry Stamps at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.